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Title: Need to Include Orissa under Restructured Accelerated Power Development and Reform Programme to overcome power shortage in the State.

SHRI TATHAGATA SATPATHY (DHENKANAL): I would like to bring to the notice of the House the issue about power crisis in Orissa. There is rapid industrialization, and massive rural electrification and erratic monsoon has created scarcity of power in Orissa. Orissa is the first State to undertake power sector reforms and the State should not be penalized for the same as APDRP (Restructured Accelerated Power Development and Reform Programme) of 11^{th} Plan is not applicable to the private distribution companies.

I, therefore, urge upon the Government that the entire 1320 MW power which will be generated from the proposed expansion unit of Talcher Power Station of NTPC should be allocated to the Orissa State and include Orissa under restructured APDRP Scheme.